----Original Message---From: Johnson, Dustin (PUC)

Sent: Friday, November 16, 2007 9:02 AM

To: 'Mathew McKenney'

Subject: RE: The gorilla project

## Matthew,

Thanks for your email. I understand your sentiments completely. At this point, however, it doesn't appear that there will be any evidence entered into the record of the PUC TransCanada proceeding that will link that pipeline with the Hyperion refinery. If that is the case, it would not be permissible under state law for me to consider Hyperion issues in granting or denying the TransCanada Keystone permit.

I sincerely appreciate your kind comments, Matthew, and will try to do my job as well as I can.

Thanks for your email, Dusty

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----Original Message----

From: Mathew McKenney [mailto:Matthew.McKenney@usd.edu]

Sent: Thursday, November 15, 2007 5:44 PM

To: Johnson, Dustin (PUC) Subject: The gorilla project

Mr. Johnson,

This is in regard to the proposed refinery in Union County and the pipeline that may or may not be constructed across our state. In considering any proposal to grant any permits to build such pipelines, please contemplate all the possible effects that such permission will allow. As one of the many voices in your constituency, I respectfully say "I rather not" in discussing any refinery or pipelines in our state.

Thank you for your time Mr. Johnson. I know that you will do your job well, as you do everyday. Please look at what South Dakota's traditions have been and what Union County's plan has been, and you will see that the Gorilla Project had never been apart of it. I also ask that you take time to look at the Save Union County website.

Matthew McKenney